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1. I AM OF COURSE QUITE CONCERNED ABOUT THE TROUBLE
MY RECENT ENCOUNTERS WITH THE PRESS APPEAR TO HAVE CAUSED YOU;
I AM ENTIRELY CONFIDENT THAT NOTHING I HAVE SAID WAS IMPROPER,
HOWEVER OTHERWISE IT APPEARS WHEN IT EMERGES FROM THE ALEMBICS OF
PRINT AND POLITICAL LOBBIES. PART OF THE DIFFICULTY STEMS
FROM THE FACT THAT MOST OF MY EXPERIENCE HAS BEEN WITH
THE US, UK AND GERMAN PRESS WHICH ARE MORE RESPONSIBLE
AND LESS SUSCEPTIBLE TO PUTTING FLIGHTS OF FANCY BETWEEN
QUOTATION MARKS. WHILE I CANNOT ISOLATE MYSELF, I HAVE TRIED
TO RESTRICT MY PRESS CONTACT TO A MINIMUM IN THIS DELICATE
PERIOD AND WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO, GIVEN THE PROPENSITIES
FOR INACCURATE REPORTING. I CAN ASSURE YOU I HAVE NEVER MADE
ANY PREDICTIONS ABOUT WHEN THE EMBARGO WILL BE LIFTED,
OR EVEN STATED AN EXPECTATION AS TO TIMING. ALL OF
THAT HAD ITS PROVENANCE IN THE SECRETARY'S AIRPLANE. WHERE
POSSIBLE I HAVE TRIED TO GIVE THE TURKS A MORE ACCURATE
VIEW OF THE FACTORS OPERATING PRO AND CON. HOWEVER, THERE IS
NOBODY HERE WHO DOES NOT KNOW THAT I THINK ITS MAINTENANCE
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IS UNEQUIVOCALLY CONTRARY TO US AND BROAD NATO INTERESTS,
A VIEW I DO NOT DISGUISE OR FEEL APOLOGETIC ABOUT, ALTHOUGH
I HOPE I DO NOT AGGRESSIVELY PROPOUND IT.
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